1,706 children fulfilled inclusion criteria, gave informed consent and were enrolled in the fever surveillance study in Teule Hospital over a 15-month period.

26 excluded:
- 6 blood cultures not done
- 19 Widal tests not done (sera not sufficient)
- 1 blood culture and Widal test not

1,680 included in the analysis

16 children with *Salmonella* Typhi isolated from blood culture
   (Group 1)

49 children with non-Typhi serotypes of *S. enterica* isolated from blood culture
   (Group 2)

113 children with other pathogenic bacteria* isolated from blood culture
   (Group 3)

1,346 children with no bacterial growth and 156** children with contaminants in blood culture